Land Bank Commission Minutes

MEETING DATE: October 19th, 2016 (Regular Meeting)

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 P.M. by Commissioner Diana Thomas at the Willie Hinton Neighborhood Resource Center.

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

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Juanita Dodd Director Joan Adcock
Francis Frazier Angela Neal
Arlo Washington Mark Leggett
Crystal Mercer Odessa Darrough
Diana Thomas
Leta Anthony

BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

Joan Adcock, Doug Tapp, Jennifer Godwin

GUESTS

Jennifer Godwin - CLR Sara Griffin- Intern from City Manager's office

DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Quorum present Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the August, 2016 minutes was made by Commissioner Mark Leggett and seconded by Commissioner Leta Anthony. Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Finance Report: General Fund Balance - \$137,115.44

CDBG Fund Balance - \$80,188.77

<u>Doug Tapp</u>- Meeting with Jennifer Godwin to discuss marketing properties. Met with Better Community Development and their Invest Health group. Met with Central High Area Stake Holders to discuss ways to improve the Historic District and potentially use LB properties.

Property Inventory Update: 3 new properties from City Attorney's Office via urban homestead deed, 2016, 2020, and 2022 Pulaski. 78 total properties in LB inventory.

Quiet Title Update: Full title commitments received on Mike Ashcraft Property donations. -1520 S. Oak, 1719 S. Cedar, 1515 Pine, 1601 Elm

Joint Committee Report: No updates.

Old Business

- A. 3201 South Arch donation—community garden, Francis Frazier to discuss with South End neighborhood association. Mark Leggett suggests getting something in writing from NA for approval and some accountability that allows the property to revert back if the garden is neglected.
- B. Mike Ashcraft properties- donations to city -1719 S. Cedar, 1520 S. Oak, 1515 Pine, 1601 Elm to be voted on by city board (were approved by city board)
- C. 917 Maple purchase approved by City Board
- D. Quite Title RFP- purchasing to get bids out to title companies
- E. Whitwell Ryles donation of 22 properties- no update from City Attorney's office, waiting on clear title

New Business

* John Schlereth Donations - 1614 S Woodrow, Vacant Lot

- 12th St Vacant Lot next to RR track.

- About 1924 1/2 S. Cedar- Vacant lot at Charles Bussey and Cedar

LB recommends they take 1614 Woodrow only, Doug will take that offer to Mr. Schlereth. Proposed by Mark Leggett, 2nd by Leta Anthony, voted, motion passed.

*9500 Geyer Springs- Sharon Houston offered \$4,000.00. LB discussed potential daycare on this lot versus another apartment or multi-unit complex. Feel it's a good fit, has been on MLS since 2014. Proposed LB sell property to Ms. Houston by Angela Neal, 2nd by Mark Leggett. Voted, motion carried.

*2502 W. 11th St. – donation from Pamela Lewin- tabled from last LB meeting, voted and approved to receive the property at last LB meeting. Title work has been ordered. Doug will get on the city board agenda for approval.

Guest Speaker

*Jennifer Godwin, marketing manager for CLR- City Manager asked Jennifer to work with Redevelopment Admin on ways to advertise and market the LB property.

LB Commission discussed ways and means to promote land bank properties. Discussed radio, TV, newspaper, social media, CLR Website and other ways to advertise the properties.

Commissioners Communications

Joan Adcock – Recommends adding the lots in the subdivision to the total lots in LB inventory.

Leta Anthony – discussed investing in small housing units with smaller purchase prices to accommodate more potential buyers.

Citizen Communications - none Adjourn